

## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION 23 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0023

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EXHIBIT: #VII.D.

TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Thomas A. Desjardin, Acting Commissioner

DATE: October 14, 2015

SUBJECT: Request Approval of a revised State of Maine year nine (9) revisions and

request to extend the Six-Year Plan for Career and Technical Education Under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (P.L. 109-270) and "Request for Conforming Revisions to State Plan Submissions.

Including Budgets" (OMB Approval Number 1830-0029)

As a condition for the receipt of Federal funds to support career and technical education, §122 of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (P.L. 109-270) requires a designated "eligible agency" in each State—in Maine's case, the State Board of Education—to submit a State Plan for Career and Technical Education. The Eligible Agency must send in a revised budget, any revisions to the plan, any request to extend and the agreed upon performance indicators for that grant period each

Grant year covered by the plan.

Following the Guidance for the Submission of State Plan Revisions, Budgets, and Performance Levels for Program Year Nine Perkins IV Grant Awards - issued by the U.S. Office of Vocational and Adult Education on December 22, 2014 (OMB #1830-0029) and the Request for Conforming Revisions to State Plan Submissions, Including Budgets" (OMB Approval Number 1830-0029) sent on March 24, 2015 the Maine Department of Education Career and Technical Education Team prepared the year nine (9) State plan revisions covering the grant period beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016.

As you know, Congress passed, and the President signed, a short-term continuing resolution (CR), that provides funding for a number of Federal programs through December 11, 2015. The CR includes an across-the-board reduction of 0.2108 percent that applies to the advance portion of fiscal year (FY) 2015 funds that were scheduled to become available October 1, 2015. Consequently, the total October 1 allocations for the Perkins IV Career and Technical Education State Grants will be slightly lower than were previously estimated.

The year nine (9) revisions include:

• A revised budget for the grant period covering July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

RECOMMENDATION: The State Board approve the revision of the State of Maine Year IX budget for the Year nine extension of the Six Year Plan for Career and Technical Education Under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 (P.L. 109-270) for the grant year July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016.

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